



Workshop #3

Exploring the boundaries beyond WP5: A roundtable on how Governance connects Science and Policy in RESTCOAST

Attention all RESTCOAST participants!
Let's work together to shape the future of coastal restoration!

BACKGROUND

As the leader of WP5 on Transformative Governance for Restoration Upscaling in the RESTCOAST project, IUCN is organizing a series of three workshops. These workshops aim to co-design innovative governance for long-term stakeholder and financial commitment, along with establishing an effective governance process. The goal of these workshops is to provide participants with knowledge, tools, and strategies to implement transformative governance in coastal restoration initiatives effectively. Through expert presentations, interactive discussions, and case studies, the workshops aim to foster collaboration, identify upscaling challenges and opportunities, align concepts, and enhance governance practices.

OBJECTIVE

This workshop is a roundtable discussion that aims to foster synergies and better coordination on aspects related to the natural resource governance framework within the RESTCOAST project. The workshop will bring together WP leaders and experts to explore common definitions, align objectives, and connect key ideas of science and policy within the governance system of the project. The panel will discuss the scope of governance, its starting point, and endpoints within the project. Additionally, they will explore ways to link governance with financial aspects and ecosystem services to achieve shared goals and pave the way for the policy aspects of WP5 objective. Audience will be engaged in discussions through Q&A.

ROUNDTABLE PANELLISTS

- **Iván Conesa-Alcolea**, European Commission DG Research, Healthy Oceans and Seas Unit
- **Laura Puértolas**, Director of Albirem (WP1)
- **María Liste**, Researcher, Maritime Engineering Laboratory, Catalonia University of Technology (WP2)
- **Fausto Favero**, Doctoral Researcher, Global Climate Forum (WP3)
- **Åse Johannessen**, Senior Researcher/Advisor, Deltares (WP3/4)
- **Mindert de Vries**, Specialist Advisor Eco-Engineering, Deltares (WP4)
- **Alberto Arroyo Schnell**, Head of Programme and Policy, IUCN European Regional Office (WP5)
- **Boris Barov**, Project Manager, Pensoft (WP6)
- **Agustín Sanchez-Arcilla**, Maritime Engineering Laboratory, Catalonia University of Technology, RESTCOAST Coordinator (WP7)

Additional information

The workshop will be conducted in English. Participants will be able to ask questions and engage in discussions throughout the webinar using the chat function. A recording of the webinar will be available after the event for those who cannot attend.

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9th

11:00h - 13:00h
CET

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PROGRAM

Introduction and Welcome Remarks

Pilar Marín, IUCN

Speakers introduction

Natalia Cagide, Moderator

Current relevant EU policies or policy processes

Iván Conesa-Alcolea, European Commission

Roundtable Discussion

Facilitated by Alberto Arroyo, IUCN Head of Programme and Policy

- Exploring common definitions, align objectives, and connect governance with science and policy.
- Scope of governance, its starting point, and endpoints within RESTCOAST.
- Linking Governance with Financial Aspects and Ecosystem Services

Q & A

Conclusions

Closing

